viability was considered by the competent authority in the Government on 31-5-2001. A Group of Ministers has been constituted to examine the proposal and submit its recommendations.

(c) The work-force in the Haldia Fertilizer Project and the Durgapur Plant is 1356 and 1306, respectively, as on 1-11-2001. The company is making payments of salary/wages and statutory dues regularly and there are no arrears in this regard.

Foreign Technology for Manufacturing Bulk Drugs

2003. SHRI MANOJ BHATTACHARYA : Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state :

(a) What is the nature and details of the foreign technology available in India for manufacturing bulk drugs, following the automatic approval for foreign technology agreements; and

(b) What are the intermediates and/or formulations that can be manufactured using those bulk drugs ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI SATYA BRATA MOOKHERJEE) : (a) and (b) the nature and details of the technologies and processes are confidential.

FDI in Pharma Industry

2004. SHRI MANOJ BHATTACHARYA : Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state :

(a) what is the total amount of FDI in pharma industry through automatic route, after it was raised to 100 per cent;

(b) which drugs are being manufactured by those 100 per cent foreign companies; and

(c) which diseases can be treated by those medicines ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI SATYA BRATA MOOKHERJEE) : (a) to (c) The information will be collected and laid on the Table of the House.